

seem to have adjusted. The cat that was howling on the first night is now more comfortable with her territory, and so she's sleeping through the night.

My wife is going to make a great First Lady. She is just as comfortable as she can be with people, no matter if they're with a fancy title, or not.

And the White House staff is just remarkably generous people. And we're settling in. And it's a huge honor to live in the people's house. And I understand the honor. And I'm going to uphold the honor.

NOTE: The President spoke at 3 p.m. in the Roosevelt Room at the White House. In his remarks, he referred to Gov. Parris N. Glendening of Maryland, outgoing chair, and Gov. John Engler of Michigan, incoming chair, National Governors' Association. A tape was not available for verification of the content of these remarks.

Statement on the Earthquake in India

January 26, 2001

I am saddened by the news of the tragic earthquake centered in India's Gujarat state this morning. I extend my condolences and those of the American people to the families of the many victims in the cities and villages of Gujarat and elsewhere. Earthquakes know no political boundaries: I send condolences to the people affected in neighboring Pakistan as well. We stand ready to assist as needed and as desired by the Governments.

Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

January 20

In the evening, the President and Laura Bush attended several Inaugural balls.

January 22

In the evening, the President met with Speaker of the House of Representatives J. Dennis Hastert.

The White House announced that the President will travel to San Cristobal, Mexico, on February 16.

January 23

In the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations with President Vicente Fox of Mexico and Prime Minister Tony Blair of the United Kingdom.

In the afternoon, the President met with Mayor Anthony A. Williams of Washington, DC.

January 24

In the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations with King Fahd and Crown Prince Abdullah of Saudia Arabia, President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt, and King Abdullah II of Jordan.

In the evening, the President met with Senator John McCain.

Later, the President had separate telephone conversations with President Kim Dae-jung of South Korea and President Aleksander Kwasniewski of Poland.

January 25

In the evening, the President had a telephone conversation with Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder of Germany.

Later, the President and Laura Bush traveled to Hyattsville, MD, where they met with Catholic leaders at the residence of Archbishop Theodore E. McCarrick of the Archdiocese of Washington, DC, after which they returned to Washington, DC.

The White House announced that the President invited Prime Minister Jean Chretien of Canada to the White House on February 5.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.
